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At Halifax, Miss Jennie Renwick was awarded \$793 damages against R. N. McDonald, grocer, for injuries sustained ever a year ago by falling through a hatch in the sidewalk used by the defendant.

The joint committee of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick to consider the question of French text books in public schools has decided to invite Prince Edward Island to participate and to recommend the respective boards of education to join in preparing French readers, free from sectarian or other objectionable matters.

It has been decided to establish a new calvary regiment in Manitoba and the Northwest. The headquarters of the regiment will be at some point west of Winnipeg. The proposition to increase the permanent corps by a squadron of mounted infantry to be known as the Strathcona Horse, in the Northwest Territories, has also been agreed to.

At Hawkesbury, Ont., Thursday, Mrs. Shaw perished in the fire which destroyed the Great Northern Railway station. The station agent and family were rescued with difficulty.

Miss Mayre Hennessy, of Newport, Hants Co., is dead as a result of drinking carbolic acid by mistake.

Mrs. Enoch Lovely, of Lower Andover, V. Co., was returning home from a concert and Christmas tree at the Methodist church, her sleigh was run into and her collar bone was broken and she was badly bruised.

The wages of I. C. R. clerks have been raised an average of \$1 a month. It is expected that the price of wheat will be higher yet before the next har-

The government of Canada owns 6,241 miles of telegraphs and cables.

The lobster fishermen at Grand Harbor have been doing extra well since the season opened.

The Toronto Roller Bearing Co., Limited, announces that Hon. A. G. Blair has been engaged as its counsel to take up the work of organization of kindred companies in the United States, Great Britain, and in foreign lands.

Miss Carrie E. Hayes, of Forest City, York Co., is claimed to be the heaviest woman in Canada, her friends declaring that she tips the scales at 550 pounds.

Matthew Jones, a life prisoner just pardoned from a penitentiary, has served seventeen years, and his hair is white: He still protests his innocence of the charge of arson on which he was convicted at Sarnia.

Moncton has a bad fire Thursday night: It began in Peters' music store. The building was occupied by Peters, Guo, Younger, dry goods; the Strathcona Coal Co.'s office, C. A. Steeves as a law office, and Alonzo Wilband as a dwelling. The building, owned by Mr. Steeves, is a total loss, and the W. C. To Union building attached, was also damaged to the extent of a thousand dollars or more.

Fire damaged the Sydney Hotel, Syd-

ney, N. S., Saturday. There were 153 business failures in

Nova Scotia in 1904, with \$1,627,480 liabilities.

One thousand one hundred and fortyseven new dwellings were erected in Montreal last year.

The coal shipments in Nova Scotia in 1964. from the six colleries, amount to a total of 4,367,000 tons, and unless named George Murray, slightly injured.

the others produce among them 325,000 The loss is about \$10,000.

tons, the yield will fall behind that of 1903.

The Nova Scotia lumber trade has been fair, and the fisheries have been an average.

Street, St. John, Friday afternoon. They were occupied by Geo. E. Fairweather, immensé business. M. V. Paddock and Wm. Munroe. Partial insurance.

was completely destroyed by fire the per hour. This is said to be about day before Christmas. Loss \$3,000; in- three times as fast as any American surance \$1,000.

The biggest construction feat ever accomplished by any railway in Canada has just been completed by the Canadian Pacific railway in laying 840 miles opportunity for the feat was occasioned the Japanese demand for Scotch tweed. by the action of the Dominion governbrought into the country after November 30, or which were not laid before February 28. Just as the duty announcement was made the Canadian Pacific gave an order for 60,000 tons to different United States mills at slightly over \$20 a ton. Delivery of the rails started late in October and 100 gangs of men were placed at work at different parts of the lines, the new 80-pound rails being used for re-laying purposes. It was simply a business proposition with the railway for getting the rails at the low figure at which United States mills were supplying foreign markets and getting them laid in time, a saving of \$7 a, ton,

A Grand Trunk Railway yardmaster at London, Ont., was run over and beheaded by a train on Sunday.

or close to \$500,000 was effected.

Alexander Leclerc, 49 years of age, living in the outskirts of Montreal, killed his father, Moise Leclerc, 70 years of age, in a fit of anger on Christmas eve. Both were drunk.

The amalgamation between the Royal and Merchants' Banks has been arranged. The joint capital will be \$9,000,000, with a reserve fund of \$6,200,000.

Mr. A. W. Donty, formerly of Simcoe, has been appointed Canadian Commercial Agent for Mexico.

The growth of the Northwest is shown this year by the amount of its English Christmas mail passing through the Montreal post office. Ten years ago the bulk of it was forty packages, with about five hundred letters. This year, so far, the packages have amounted to 800, and the mail altogether has filled

At Halifax, three of the crew of the Furness steamer Gulf of Ancud, going on board, fell between the steamer and the wharf. Two were rescued, badly cut and bruised, but the third one was drowned. He was Wm. Linnet, a fireman, from London.

At Bloomfield, K. Co., the residence and two barns of Gilbert Titus were destroyed by fire, the occupants narrowly escaping. The property was valued at about \$2,500 and was insured for \$1,000.

The Campbellton Sash and Door Factory, belonging to Wm. Currie & Co., was destroyed by fire Christmas night, together with a large quantity of prepared lumber. The loss of property is about \$40,000, partly insured. This is the second mill destroyed this year belonging to the same firm. The other was located at Eel River Crossing.

A terrible explosion occurred Manday morning at Acadia Powder Company's mills at Waverly, about ten miles from Halifax, on the Dartmouth side. Nearly a ton of powder went off in the drying mill. The force of the explosion was felt for miles, and the building in which it occurred blown to pieces. No one was killed, and only one employe, THE EMPIRE.

The plague serum has proved of immense efficacy in India. Out of 1,173 persons, inoculated against the plague in Habi, only two per cent died, while of those who refused to be so treated 27 per cent died.

The total value of heavy woollen goods being produced for Japan in the west riding of Yorkshire just now is not Two houses were burned on Sewell less than £1,500,000, and Dewsbury has obtained the largest share of the

A machine has been perfected in a Birmingham shop that is to turn out Samuel Blair's residence at Stanley from 90,000 to 100,000 finished wire nails machine can do.

The Jersey, England, potato crop this year amounts to 52,849 tons, valued at £233,289.

Most of the Scottish woollen factories of track in less than two months. The are running over time to keep pace with

The estimated wheat yield in South ment in ruling that the \$7 duty on steel Australia this year is 14,575,000 bushels, rails should go into effect on all rails an increase of 1,360 compared with last

> Shipping interests in Great Britain have had a poor year.

> A man was sentenced at Liverpool the other day for devising means to blow up steamers at sea in order to secure insurance. His name is Jago. He will be kept in penal servitude for fifteen years.

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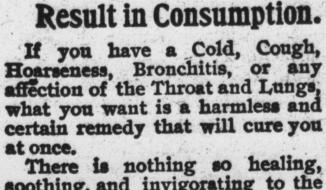
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FOREIGN.

Of nine convicts who, at Folson, Cal., made a break for liberty Thursday, seven were riddled with bullets. Three are dead, and several are fatally injur-

A Presque Isle, Me., potato house was burned last week, two or three thousand barrels of potatoes were destroyed.

The tunnel between East Boston and the city proper was opened for traffic last week.

The Globe shoe store in Calais, Me., was burned Thursday night about midnight.

It is officially announced that a disease, whose characteristics are similar to the bubonic plague, has appeared among the Kirghizco Cossacks, in the settlements of the Ural territory, Russia, resulting in one hundred and ninety deaths between November 24 and December 26. The localities have been declared to be infected with the plague.

One of the most severe storms of recent years has raged between the Rocky Mountains and the Great Lakes Tuesday, causing much trouble to street car, railway and telegraph companies. The intense cold and terrific gale that followed close upon the fog coated the wires with ice, and later threw poles to the ground. Railway trains were badly delayed all through the west, some of them being twenty-four hours late. Street car traffic was practically at a standstill. In its extent the storm was the most widespread of any in many

Frenzied by drink, John Ricker, a New Brunswicker, shot and killed his wife, Helen Ricker, in Charlestown, Mass., Wednesday.

In Walville, Wash., six men were killed Wednesday by an explosion of four boilers at a sawmill. The others were badly hurt.

Miss Patterson, who was tried in New York on the charge of shooting Caesar Young, was acquitted Thursday.

Fire in a car shop in Chicago, Friday, destroyed \$500,000 worth of property, and two firemen were killed.

John Morrison, a C. P. R. brakeman, fell from a car and was killed at Brownville Junction a few days ago.

While a negro congregation was holding a Christmas celebration in a church at Stouss Mountain, a mining camp near Nancville, Ala., a volley of shots was fired into the church from the outside. The pastor was shot through the hips and will die. Two other men were probably fatally wounded. •

Three men were killed and three seriously injured by a collision of two ice boats on Onondaga lake, Syracuse, N. Y., Sunday afternoon.

THE SETTERONS